

Arkansas Natural Resources Commission Title 23
“Rules Governing Water and Wastewater Project Funding through the
Arkansas Community and Economic Development Program”

SUMMARY

These proposed rules describe how federal funds for water and wastewater grants will be distributed to qualifying low-to-moderate-income communities that apply for assistance. The Arkansas Natural Resources Commission has administered the Arkansas Community and Economic Development Program (ACEDP) for water and wastewater grants since this portion of the ACEDP was transferred to the Commission by the Arkansas Department of Economic Development in 2004.

Qualifying applicant communities must demonstrate that the population served by the project has a mean income equal to or less than the low-income limit established by the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development, or that the Commission recognizes the applicant’s need as particularly urgent to address a serious and immediate threat to the health or welfare of the community.

These rules also describe administrative procedures that must be followed by grant awardees to maintain the grant including record-keeping, procurement, and financial accountability.